



2/66

Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box → ☒

PTO/SB/21 (08-00)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

|   |                             |                               |               |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>TRANSMITTAL<br/>FORM</b><br><br>(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing) | <b>Application Number</b>   | 10/071,562                    |               |
|   | <b>Filing Date</b>          | February 8, 2002              |               |
|   | <b>First Named Inventor</b> | Edward L. Bank                |               |
|   | <b>Group Art Unit</b>       | 2166                          |               |
|   | <b>Examiner Name</b>        | Unknown                       |               |
| <b>Total Number of Pages in This Submission</b>   | 9                           | <b>Attorney Docket Number</b> | SFTC-01001US0 |

| <b>ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)</b>                                     |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (for an Application)                         | <input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to Group                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached  | <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment / Reply                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> After Final   | <input type="checkbox"/> Petition   | <input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s)                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application               | <input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer  | Copy of Reference  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement         | <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund   | Postcard   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)              | <input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) _____                                      |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application    | <b>Remarks</b>  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53 |   |  |

RECEIVED  
DEC 16 2002  
GROUP 3

| <b>SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT</b> |  |
|---|--|
| Firm or Individual name                           | Kirk J. DeNiro, Reg. No. 35,854<br>Vierra Magen Marcus Harmon & DeNiro LLP |
| Signature   |  |
| Date  | December 6, 2002   |

| <b>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING</b>   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231 on this date: December 6, 2002 |                                 |
| Typed or printed name   | Kirk J. DeNiro, Reg. No. 35,854 |
| Signature   |                                 |
| Date  | December 6, 2002                |

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.2 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.



PTO/SB/08B (08-00)  
Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031  
Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

|  |   |    |   |                          |                  |
|--|---|----|---|--------------------------|------------------|
| Substitute for form 1449B/PTO<br><br><b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE<br/>STATEMENT BY APPLICANT</b><br><br>(use as many sheets as necessary) |   |    |   | <b>Complete if Known</b> |                  |
|  |   |    |   | Application Number       | 10/071,562       |
|  |   |    |   | Filing Date              | February 8, 2002 |
|  |   |    |   | First Named Inventor     | Edward L. Bank   |
|  |   |    |   | Group Art Unit           | 2166             |
|  |   |    |   | Examiner Name            |                  |
| Sheet  | 1 | of | 1 | Attorney Docket Number   | SFTC-01001US0    |

[illegible]

|                       |  |                    |  |
|-----------------------|--|--------------------|--|
| Examiner<br>Signature |  | Date<br>Considered |  |
|-----------------------|--|--------------------|--|

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>1</sup> Unique citation designation number. <sup>2</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U. S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.